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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6087

BILL NUMBER: SB 116

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 1, 2004

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Social Security Numbers and DNR Licenses.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Meeks R

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 X FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill provides that an applicant for a hunting, trapping, or fishing license is not required to provide the applicant's Social Security number.

Effective Date: July 1, 2004.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: (Revised) Removing the existing requirement that applicants disclose their Social Security number on the application for a hunting and fishing license will have no direct fiscal impact on the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Eliminating the penalty provision for violating the confidentiality requirement should also have no significant fiscal impact. (Currently, violating the confidentiality requirement is a Class A infraction, which has a maximum judgment of \$10,000 which is deposited in the state General Fund.)

The proposal could, however, have an impact on revenue that the Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) receives from the federal government, as indicated below.

Background. SEA 178 (2002) required an applicant for a marriage, hunting, trapping, or fishing license to provide the applicant's Social Security number. SEA 178, now IC 14-22-11-3, became effective July 1, 2002, and requires that SSNs be kept confidential and used only to carry out the purposes of the Child Support Program. The bill was introduced in response to FSSA's receipt of notice from the federal Office of Child Support Enforcement that Indiana was out of compliance with federal law [Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 -- 42 USC 651 et seq -- see sec 654 and 666(a) (13).] The proposal

repeals the provisions which were enacted to comply with federal law. Failure to comply with federal law could subject the state to a penalty of approximately \$1.4 M from Title IV-A funds.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: FSSA; DNR.

Local Agencies Affected:

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